VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

APPLICANT: Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc.

) VIRGINIA GAS

AND OIL BOARD

RELIEF SOUGHT EXCEPTION TO STATEWIDE SPACING

LIMITATIONS PRESCRIBED BY

VA. CODE § 45.1-361.17 (a) (2)

DOCKET NO.

VGOB-12-0515-3068

FOR WELL NO. 900102

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

DRILLING UNIT SERVED BY WELL
NUMBERED 900102
TO BE DRILLED IN THE LOCATION
DEPICTED ON EXHIBIT A HERETO,
N.B. Dotson Tract
84.370 Acres, more or less
PRATER QUADRANGLE
PRATER DISTRICT
BUCHANAN COUNTY, VIRGINIA
(the "Subject Lands" are more particularly described on Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof)

REPORT OF THE BOARD

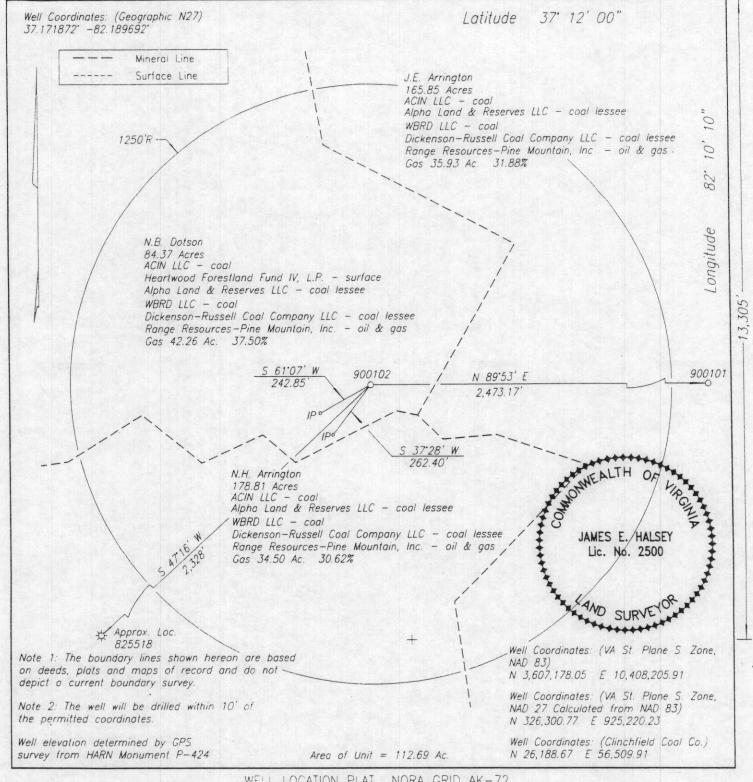
FINDINGS AND ORDER

- Hearing Date and Place: This matter came on for hearing before the Virginia Gas and Oil Board (hereafter "Board") at 9:00 a.m. on May 15, 2012 at the Russell County Conference Center, Highland Drive, Lebanon, Virginia.
- 2. Appearances: Timothy E. Scott of McKinnis & Scott, appeared for the Applicant.
- 3. <u>Jurisdiction and Notice</u>: Pursuant to Va. Code §§ 45.1-361.1 *et seq.*, the Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the subject matter. Based upon the evidence presented by Applicant, the Board also finds that the Applicant has (1) exercised due diligence in conducting a meaningful search of reasonably available sources to determine the identity and whereabouts of each gas and oil owner, coal owner, or mineral owner having an interest in Subject Drilling Unit underlying and comprised of Subject Lands; and (2) represented to the Board that it has given notice to those parties (hereafter sometimes "person(s)" whether referring to individuals, corporations, partnerships associations, companies, businesses, trusts, joint ventures or other legal entities) entitled by Va. Code § 45.1-361.19 to notice of this application. Further, the Board has caused notice of this hearing to be published as required by Va. Code § 45.1-361.19.B. Whereupon, the Board hereby finds that the notices given herein satisfy all statutory requirements, Board rule requirements and the minimum standards of state due process.

- 4. <u>Amendments</u>: None.
- Dismissals: None.
- 6. Relief Requested: Applicant requests an exception to the statewide spacing limitations set forth in Va. Code § 45.1-361.17 for Well No. 900102.
- Relief Granted: The requested relief in this cause shall be and hereby is granted. The Board hereby grants Applicant consent to permit and drill proposed Well No. 900102 which is 2,328 feet from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. Well No. 825518 and 2,473.17 feet from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. proposed Well No. 900101 at the location depicted on the Plat attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 8. Special Findings: The Board specifically and specially finds:
 - 8.1 Applicant is <u>Range Resources-Pine Mountain</u>, <u>Inc</u>. Applicant is duly authorized and qualified to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia;
 - 8.2 Applicant Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. is an operator in the Commonwealth of Virginia and has satisfied the Board's requirements for operations in Virginia;
 - Applicant claims ownership of Conventional Gas Leases of Subject Drilling Unit and the right to explore for, develop and produce Gas from Well No. 900102 as well as the right to participate and develop the reciprocal wells, being Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. Well No. 825518 and proposed Well No. 900101;
 - The proposed Well No. 900102 is located on the N.B. Dotson containing 84.37 acres and the surface, coal, gas and oil owners have consented to the proposed location for Well No. 900102 that is depicted on the Plat attached hereto as Exhibit A;
 - 8.5 The Applicant testified it has the right to operate and participate in the development of the reciprocal Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. Well No. 825518 and proposed Well No. 900101 and that the granting of the application filed herein will not impact the correlative rights of any person;
 - An exception to the well spacing requirements of Va. Code § 45.1-361.17 for Well No. 900102 is necessary to efficiently drain a portion of the common sources of supply (reservoir) underlying Subject Drilling Unit, and the Board's granting of the requested location exception is in the best interest of preventing the waste of 500 million cubic feet of Conventional Gas underlying the Subject Drilling Unit, and to generally effect the purposes of the Virginia and Oil Act;
 - Applicant proposes the drilling of Well No. 900102 to a depth of 6,218 feet on the Subject Drilling Unit at the location depicted on Exhibit A to produce all the Mississippian and Devonian Age formations including, but not limited to, Ravencliff, Maxon, Big Lime, Weir, Berea and Devonian Shale, from surface to total depth drilled, 6,218 feet ("Subject Formations");

- Applicant proposes to drill Well No. 900102 a distance of 172.00 feet closer to Well No. 825518 and 26.83 feet closer to proposed Well No. 900101 than 8.8 the 2500 feet mandated by statewide spacing;
- Applicant proposes to complete and operate Well No. 900102 for the purpose of 8.9 producing Conventional Gas;
- Therefore, the requested relief and all terms and provisions set forth 9. above be and hereby are granted and IT IS SO ORDERED.
- Appeals of this Order are governed by the provisions of Va. Code Ann. § 10. 45.1-361.9 which provides that any order or decision of the Board may be appealed to the appropriate circuit court. Such appeals must be taken in the manner prescribed in the Administrative Process Act, Va. Code Ann. § 9-6.14:1 et seq. and Rule 2A of the Rules of the Virginia Supreme Court.

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WELL LOCATION PLAT NORA GRID AK-72

COMPANY Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. WELL NAME AND NU	MBER <u>900102</u>			
TRACT NO. N.B. Dotson ELEVATION 1,996.48' QUADRANGLE	Prater			
COUNTY <u>Buchanan</u> DISTRICT <u>Prater</u> SCALE <u>1" = 40</u>	00' DATE 4-11-2012			
This Plat is a new plat x ; an updated plat x ; or a final location plat				
+ Denotes the location of a well on United States topo 24,000, latitude and longitude lines being represented				
Licensed Professional Engineer or Licens	EXHIDIT A			

Form DGO-GO-7

Exhibit "B" Well Location Exception Well No. 900102

DEPTH -

6,218'

Dickenson-Russell Coal Company Maxxim Shared Services, LLC Attn: Steve Smith 5703 Crutchfield Drive Norton, VA 24273

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